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Computer System With Out-Of Order  
Instruction Execution**

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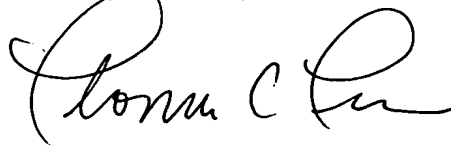
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Respectfully submitted,

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	AA1	3,346,851	10/1967	Thornton et al.			
	AB1	3,718,912	02/1973	Hasbrouck et al.			
	AC1	3,771,138	11/1973	Celtruda et al.			
	AD1	3,789,365	01/1974	Jen et al.			
	AE1	4,034,349	07/1977	Monaco et al.			
	AF1	4,200,927	04/1980	Hughes et al.			
	AG1	4,228,495	10/1980	Bernhard et al.			
	AH1	4,296,470	10/1981	Fairchild et al.			
	AI1	4,315,314	02/1982	Russo			
	AJ1	4,410,939	10/1983	Kawakami			
	AK1	4,434,461	02/1984	Puhl			

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	AL1	0 479 390 A2	08/1992	EP			Yes No
	AM1	0 426 393	08/1991	EP			Yes No
	AN1	0 419 105 A2	10/1990	EP			Yes No
	AO1	0 402 856	12/1990	EP			Yes No
	AP1	0 377 991 A3	12/1989	EP			Yes No

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	AR	<u>1</u>	8-Bit Embedded controller Handbook, Intel, 1989, pp. 1-1- 1-19 and 3-1 -3-37.
	AS	<u>1</u>	Acosta, Raymond D. et al., "An Instruction Issuing Approach to Enhancing Performance in Multiple Functional Unit Processors," IEEE Transactions on Computers, Vol. C-35, No. 9, September 1986, pp. 815-828.
	AT	<u>1</u>	Agerwala et al., "High Performance Reduced Instruction Set Processors," IBM Research Division, March 31, 1987, pp. 1-61.

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	AB2	4,476,525	10/1984	Ishii			
	AC2	4,626,989	12/1986	Torii			
	AD2	4,675,806	06/1987	Uchida			
	AE2	4,714,994	12/1987	Oklobdzija et al.			
	AF2	4,722,049	01/1988	Lahti			
	AG2	4,752,873	06/1988	Shonai et al.			
	AH2	4,758,948	07/1988	May et al.			
	AI2	4,766,566	08/1988	Chuang			
	AJ2	4,807,115	02/1989	Torng			
	AK2	4,858,105	08/1989	Kuriyama et al.			

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	AM2	0 368 332 A2	05/1990	EP			Yes No
	AN2	0 354 585 A2	02/1990	EP			Yes No
	AO2	0 171 595 A2	02/1986	EP			Yes No
	AP2	0 136 179 A2	09/1984	EP			Yes No

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	AR	2	Aiken, A. and Nicolau, A., "Perfect Pipelining: A New Loop Parallelization Technique*," pp. 221-235.
	AS	2	Andrews, Distinctions Blur Between DSP Solutions, Computer Design, Vol. 28, No. 9, May 1, 1989, Littleton, Mass., pp. 86-99.
	AT	2	Charlesworth, A.E., "An Approach to Scientific Array Processing: The Architectural Design of the AP-120B/FPS-164 Family," Computer, Vol. 14, September 1981, pp. 18-27.

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	AA3	4,897,810	01/1990	Nix			
	AB3	4,901,228	02/1990	Kodama			
	AC3	4,901,233	02/1990	Liptay			
	AD3	4,903,196	02/1990	Pomerene et al.			
	AE3	4,924,376	05/1990	Ooi			
	AF3	4,926,323	05/1990	Baror et al.			
	AG3	4,942,525	07/1990	Shintani et al.			
	AH3	4,985,825	01/1991	Webb, Jr. et al.			
	AI3	4,992,938	02/1991	Cocke et al.			
	AJ3	5,003,462	03/1991	Blaner et al.			
	AK3	5,101,341	03/1992	Circella et al.			

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	AL3	2 575 564	12/1985	FR			Yes No
	AM3	2 011 682	11/1979	GB			Yes No
	AN3	61-95447	06/1986	JP			Yes No
	AO3	2-278337	11/1990	JP			Yes No
	AP3	3-137729	06/1991	JP			Yes No

## OTHER (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	AR	<u>3</u>	Colwell et al., "A VLIW Architecture for a Trace Scheduling Compiler," Proceedings of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems, October 1987, pp. 180-192.
	AS	<u>3</u>	Foster et al., "Percolation of Code to Enhance Parallel Dispatching and Execution," IEEE Trans. On Computers, December 1971, pp. 1411-1415.
	AT	<u>3</u>	Goodman, J.R. and Hsu, W., "Code Scheduling and Register Allocation in Large Basic Blocks," ACM, 1988, pp. 442-452.

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	AA4	5,127,091	02/1995	Horst			
	AB4	5,129,067	07/1992	Johnson			
	AC4	5,134,561	07/1992	Liptay			
	AD4	5,155,843	10/1992	Stamm et al.			
	AE4	5,187,796	02/1993	Wang et al.			
	AF4	5,226,126	07/1993	McFarland et al.			
	AG4	5,226,170	07/1993	Rubinfeld			
	AH4	5,230,068	07/1993	Van Dyke et al.			
	AI4	5,355,460	10/1994	Eickenmeyer et al.			
	AJ4	5,442,757	08/1995	McFarland et al.			
	AK4	5,461,715	10/1995	Matsuo et al.			

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	AL4	3-147134	06/1991	JP			Yes No
	AM4	2-22736	01/1990	JP			Yes No
	AN4	2-87229	03/1990	JP			Yes No
	AO4	3-35322	02/1991	JP			Yes No
	AP4	64-36366	02/1989	JP			Yes No

## OTHER (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	AR	<u>4</u>	Gross et al., "Optimizing Delayed Branches," Proceedings of the 5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop on Microprogramming, October 5-7, 1982, pp. 114-120.
	AS	<u>4</u>	Groves, R.D. and Oehler, R., "An IBM Second Generation RISC Processor Architecture," IEEE, 1989, pp. 134-137.
	AT	<u>4</u>	Bakoglu et al., "IBM Second-Generation RISC Machine Organization," 1990, IEEE, pp. 173-178.

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	AA5	5,487,156	01/1996	Popescu et al.			
	AB5	5,488,729	01/1996	Vesegna et al.			
	AC5	5,539,911	07/1996	Nguyen et al.			
	AD5	5,561,776	10/1996	Popescu et al.			
	AE5	5,574,927	11/1996	Scantlin			
	AF5	5,592,636	01/1997	Popescu et al.			
	AG5	5,625,837	04/1997	Popescu et al.			
	AH5	5,627,983	05/1997	Popescu et al.			
	AI5	5,651,125	07/1997	Witt et al.			
	AJ5	5,689,720	11/1997	Nguyen et al.			
	AK5	5,708,841	01/1998	Popescu et al.			

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	AL5	2-130634	05/1990	Japan			Yes No
	AM5						Yes No
	AN5						Yes No
	AO5						Yes No
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	AR	5	H. Nakano et al., "A 80 Mflops 64-bit Microprocessor for Parallel Computer," 1991, IEEE, pp. 15.2.1-15.2.4.
	AS	5	Hennessey et al., Computer Architecture: A Quantitative Approach, Morgan Kaufman Publishers, Inc., 1990 (in its entirety).
	AT	5	Horst, R.W. et al., "Multiple Instruction Issue in the NonStop Cyclone Processor," IEEE, 1990, pp. 216-226.

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	AA6	5,768,575	06/1998	McFarland et al.			
	AB6	5,778,210	07/1998	Henstrom et al.			
	AC6	5,797,025	08/1998	Popescu et al.			
	AD6	5,832,205	11/1998	Kelly et al.			
	AE6	5,832,293	11/1998	Popescu et al.			
	AF6	5,961,629	10/1999	Nguyen et al.			
	AG6	6,038,654	03/2000	Nguyen et al.			
	AH6	6,092,181	07/2000	Nguyen et al.			
	AI6	6,101,594	08/2000	Nguyen et al.			
	AJ6	6,128,723	10/2000	Nguyen et al.			
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	AR	<u>6</u>	Hwu et al., "HPSm, a High Performance Restricted Data Flow Architecture Having Minimal Functionality," Proceedings from ISCA-13, Tokyo, Japan, June 2-5, 1986, pp. 297-306.
	AS	<u>6</u>	Hwu et al., "Checkpoint Repair for High-Performance Out-of-Order Execution Machines," IEEE Trans. On Computers, Vol. C-36, NO. 12, December 1987, pp. 1496-1514.
	AT	<u>6</u>	Hwu et al., "Exploiting Parallel Microprocessor Microarchitectures with a Compiler Code Generator," Proceedings of the 15 <sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Computer Architecture, June 1988, pp. 45-53.

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	AS	<u>7</u>	IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin, Overlap of Store Multiple Operation With Succeeding Operations through Second Set of General Purpose Registers, Voll 28, No. 6, November 1989, New York, NY, pp. 2727-2728.
	AT	<u>7</u>	Jelemensky, New Microcomputer Features Advanced Hardware For Real-Time Control Applications, Electro Conference Record, Vol. 14, April 11, 1989, Los Angeles, CA, pp. 511-519.

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	AS	8	Johnson, William M., Super-Scalar Processor Design, Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1991 (in its entirety).
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